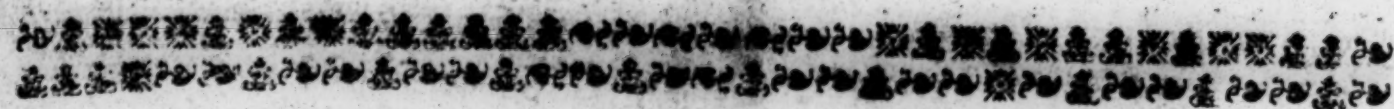


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UNTO HIS GRACE, THE
EARL OF MARCHMONT
 LORD HIGH COMMISSIONER
 OF
SCOTLAND
 And the Right Honourable
ESTATES OF PARLIAMENT

The PETITION of *HENRT PAYNE*,

Humbly Sheweth,

THAT where your Petitioner a Stranger, being apprehended Eight Years ago and upwards, hath been ever since detained Prisoner, and the greatest part of the time clost Prisoner; whereby his privat Affairs and Fortune are not only ruined: But likewise his Health is so weakened and impared, That if he continue in this Miserable Condition, he cannot have a prospect to live long: And your Petitioner having applyed to the last Session of Parliament for a Remedy to his Sufferings, they were graciously pleased to ordain, That an Address might be made to His Majesty, that some course might be taken for his Relief; which hath never as yet had any effect, but your Petitioner still continues under great Hardship and Misery in the Castle of *Stirling*.

It is therefore humbly craved, That His Grace the Commissioner, and honourable Estates of Parliament, will so far Compassionat the Miserable Condition of a poor Gentleman, (who is a Stranger) as either to allow him to depart this Kingdom upon his enacting himself to Banishment, and that a time may be prefixed for that effect, or else some other Course taken for his Deliverance out of this miserable state, under which he hath groaned so many Tears: And that a Sum of Money may be ordained to be payed him for relieving him of the Debts he has contracted; which are very considerable, by reason of his long Imprisonment, and almost continual Sickness: And that in the mean time, he may be brought to Edinburgh, in order to prepare for his Transportation out of this Countrey.

And Your Petitioner shall ever pray:

John Carter Brown
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